

**MINUTES OF  
CITY OF DUVAL  
COUNCIL MEETING  
11-14-02  
7:00 PM**

**WORKSHOP - 6:00 PM: Visioning Update and Exercise**

**The City Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Nixon at 7:07 PM.**

**Council Present:** Jeane Baldwin, Pat Fullmer, Will Ibershof, Tom Loutsis,  
Mark Cole, Greg Von Tobel, Julie Benjamin, Mayor Nixon.

**Staff Present:** Glenn Merryman, Steve Schuller, Bruce Disend, Bob Akey, Dianne  
Nelson, Jodi Wycoff, Connie Zimmerman.

**ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA:**

**Under Consent Agenda add:**

Payroll in the amount of \$117,709.61

Claims in the amount of \$601,279.90

**Under Mayor add:** Mayor Nixon

**After Staff Reports add:** Presentation – Stephen Lee, Bumgardner Architects – Thayer Barn  
Feasibility

Presentation – Lin McBride & Eddy Hill – Duvall Arts Foundation

**Under Council add:** Pat Fullmer and Will Ibershof

**Under New Business add:** #2 Thayer Barn – Discussion Only

**COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE:**

**Diane Salz**, President of Duvall Chamber of Commerce, asked that Council consider putting the two hour parking signs back up on Main Street and wants them enforced. The Chamber feels that the signs will reduce people who work in town from parking on Main Street which will encourage people driving through town to stop.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:**

*Was moved and seconded (Fullmer-Benjamin) to approve the consent agenda which included Payroll in the amount of \$117,709.61; Claims in the amount of \$601,279.90; and the Council Meeting Minutes of 10/24/02. Carried. (7 ayes).*

**SCHEDULED ITEMS:**

**MAYOR:**

**Mayor Nixon** announced that she had a meeting with King County Councilmember Kathy Lambert recently regarding the raising of NE 124<sup>th</sup> Street. Councilmember Lambert said that

the plan needs to go in front of the full council and be signed off by the King County Executive and after that they will be ready to begin. The goal is to have the design phase completed in 2003 and the raising completed 2004. The Mayor encouraged everyone to call or write Kathy Lambert to thank her for her continued support. The Mayor also mentioned her meeting with Newhall Jones regarding the Thayer Barn. The developer is giving the City one more year to move the barn. She thanked Lin McBride of the Duvall Arts Foundation for her help with that project. She stated that she went to the Taylor's Ridge HOA meeting and they were generally all in support of the Thayer Barn project. She gave kudos to George Steirer for putting together such a successful Visioning Task Force meeting. Lastly, the Mayor announced that Doreen Wise, our City Hall Administrator/Planning Director is getting married this weekend.

#### **COUNCIL:**

**Councilmember Pat Fullmer** stated that we are getting a good response from citizens regarding the Visioning Plan. She feels that there has been a lot of support for a friendly rural place to live. She announced that the next Task Force meeting is on Tuesday, December 10<sup>th</sup> and the next public workshop is scheduled for Saturday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, which are both open to the public. She encouraged people to attend both meetings.

**Councilmember Will Ibershof** explained that he and the Mayor attended the Republican Party gatherings on election night and spoke with our representatives. He said that Bill Finkbeiner wants to help with our sewer treatment plant, but that unfortunately Referendum 51 didn't pass, so the funding that the Senate has to use for situations like ours may have to be redirected.

#### **STAFF:**

**Glenn Merryman, Chief of Police**, thanked everyone for being so patient while they look for a new police clerk. Interviews are scheduled for next week and they are hoping to hire someone very soon. The Chief also reported on the progress of the new police facility. He stated that wetland studies and land surveys are currently being done and they hope to have the results very soon. The project is moving along nicely.

**Steve Schuller, Public Works Director**, stated that there was some damage to the guardrail on 3<sup>rd</sup> and Kennedy caused by an accident recently and the design phase of replacing it has been completed. He said they are including pedestrian improvements and that, weather pending, the improvements will begin right after the holidays. He also mentioned that the City has received a draft agreement regarding the Safeway recovery contract. He's also going to talk to the City of Stanwood about what they did to get the funding for their new sewer treatment plant.

**Dianne Nelson, Finance Director**, mentioned that she will be presenting a new preliminary budget at the next Council meeting that takes into account the losses that we will feel from I-776. Council asked what affect I-790 will have on our budget and Dianne explained that the firm numbers will not be in until June 2003.

#### **PRESENTATION – Stephen Lee, Bumgardner Architects – Thayer Barn Feasibility:**

Connie Zimmerman, Capitol Project Manager, handed out copies of a letter from the Historical Society supporting the move of the Thayer Barn. Connie then introduced Stephen Lee. Stephen explained that phase I is to move Thayer Barn and make it stable on the temporary site. After talking to the City's building officials, it was decided to make the barn structurally safe now (after the move) for future occupancy. He put together two options in order to get reasonable costs for Council to review. Any upgrades will be done to the barn after the move. The total cost for the move and complete renovations will be approximately \$1.1 million.

**PRESENTATION – Lin McBride & Eddy Hill – Duvall Arts Foundation:** Lin showed Council a few picture boards of other community art centers and gave statistics on their programs and how they help their communities. She also showed a picture board of what the barn currently looks like. She reiterated that the Duvall Arts Foundation is committed to earning the \$100,000 they'll need and asked Council to keep the \$200,000 in the budget as a match. Eddy then handed out and reviewed a rough draft of the business plan for Thayer Barn. He explained that he has already submitted some letters and applications requesting grants for this project. He stated that the grant process is somewhat at a standstill until the City commits to the project.

**PUBLIC HEARING: First Public Hearing on City of Duvall 2003 Annual Budget**

8:04 PM: The Public Hearing was opened.

**Hillary Cash, President of Duvall Arts Foundation,** stated that it is important to keep Thayer Barn in next year's budget. It may seem like a lot of money now, but the cultural and financial benefit will outweigh that in the long run.

8:07 PM: The Public Hearing was closed.

**PUBLIC HEARING: Ordinance #964 Establishing a One Year Moratorium on the filing of Applications for Certain Land Development Activities and Declaring an Emergency.**

8:07 PM: The Public Hearing was opened.

**There was no public testimony.**

8:07 PM: The Public Hearing was closed.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**1. (AB02-88) Ordinance #965 Fixing the Amount of the Annual Ad Valorem Property Tax Levy Necessary for the Fiscal Year Setting the Property Tax Levy for 2003. *Was moved and seconded (Baldwin-Loutsis) to Approve Ordinance #965 Fixing the Amount of the***

*Annual Ad Valorem Property Tax Levy Necessary for the Fiscal Year Setting the Property Tax Levy for 2003. Carried. (7 ayes).*

**2. Thayer Barn (Discussion Only)** After a lengthy discussion about the pros and cons of this project, Council took an unofficial poll. The results were 5 nays and 2 ayes. Mayor Nixon supported the project.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**10-Minutes - Litigation**

**10-Minutes – Labor Negotiations**

8:40 pm: The Council Chambers were cleared for a 10-Minute Executive Session on Litigation and a 10-Minute Executive Session on Labor Negotiations.

9:00 pm: The Executive Session on Labor Negotiations was extended 7 Minutes.

9:07 pm: The Regular Council Meeting was called back to order.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

*Was moved and seconded (Benjamin-Ibershof) to Adjourn.*

Meeting Adjourned: 9:07 PM.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor Becky Nixon

Attest \_\_\_\_\_  
Jodi Wycoff, Office Assistant